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To: Authorized Representatives of the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) -

Child Care Component

From: Amanda Kane, RDN, CD, Director

Community Nutrition Programs

Subject: Announcing: Grant Opportunity for the Implementation of Classroom Nutrition

Education

Wisconsin Team Nutrition is pleased to announce that funding is available for implementing nutrition education at CACFP sites. The purpose of this subgrant is to introduce *MyPlate* to children through the use of Wisconsin Team Nutrition curriculum and the educational storybook, *The Two Bite Club* (http://www.fns.usda.gov/tn/two-bite-club). Subgrant awards are based on three and four year old classroom enrollment and are available for approximately 40 sites. CACFP independent and sponsoring organizations of child care centers that have a current CACFP contract and serve three and four year olds are eligible to apply. Approval of a CACFP contract for fiscal year 2016 is required before grant funding will be awarded.

Funds may be used to:

- Purchase food and paper supplies for classroom taste testing and demonstration.
- Purchase education materials (i.e., books to accompany lessons) as well as print lesson handouts and parent newsletters.
- Pay for staff time to coordinate and conduct the nutrition education lessons.

Subgrant Requirements:

- The classroom teacher must implement five nutrition lessons found in the curriculum guide available at http://dpi.wi.gov/team-nutrition/training-grants. Please note that all nutrition lessons have a required taste testing activity that must be completed.
- The classroom teacher must distribute the provided nutrition education newsletter to parents.
- The classroom teacher must complete a pre- and post-program evaluation.
- The classroom teacher must administer a parent survey at the end of the grant period.

Awarded CACFP sites will be required to fulfill all subgrant requirements between November 1, 2015, and May 20, 2016.

The grant application and instructions are available at http://dpi.wi.gov/team-nutrition/training-grants. Applications must be submitted by Friday, October 9, 2015. Applications postmarked or received (faxed, emailed) after that date MAY NOT be considered for funding.

Please download the application to your computer, fill out the application electronically, print a copy, and have it signed by the appropriate staff members. Once signed, submit the application to:

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